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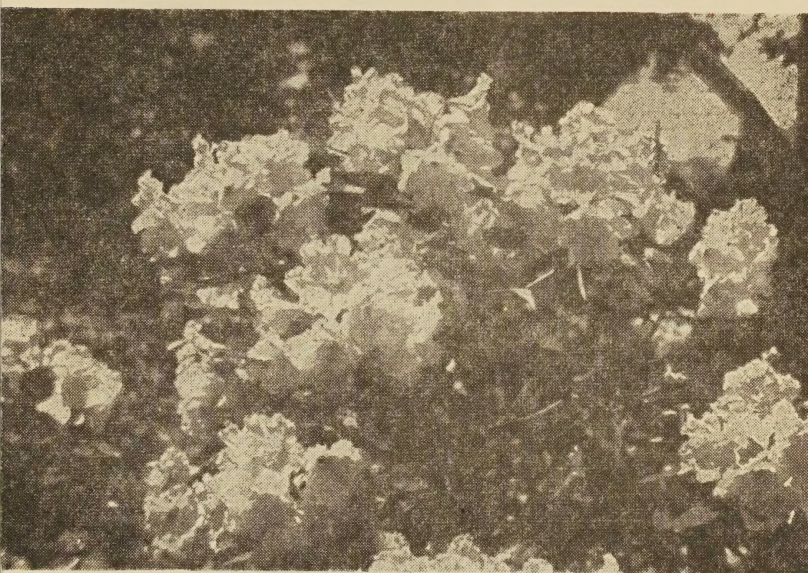
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## RHODODENDRON DISCOLOR HYBRID

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## RHODODENDRONS

**AMERICA**—A red flowering Catawbiense hybrid. Free blooming and one of the hardiest. Branched plants. 10-12 in., \$3.00

**BEAUFORT**—An early fragrant flowered hybrid of Boule de Neige. The flowers open with a tint of lavender but quickly fade white. Dark green leaves and excellent plant habit. 10-12 in., \$3.00

**BAGSHOT RUBY**—Blood crimson flowers very brilliant but the plant may need a somewhat protected situation. It has not been injured here in three winters. 12-18 in., \$4.00

**BLUE PETER**—This English hybrid is something quite 'different' and seems to be proving hardy enough for our conditions here. We like it very much. 12-15 in., \$4.00

**BRACHYCARPUM**—This hardy species from Japan is all too little known in the Eastern U. S., forming well shaped plants with beautiful dark green foliage and late creamy white flowers lightly striped with pink. Small plants, 3 in. pots, \$1.00

**CAROLINE**—Another hybrid which we are again offering this season. A superlative plant at all seasons and bearing abundant large pale orchid flowers that are quite fragrant. Early mid-season. It has yet to be injured here by winter cold. 12-15 in., \$5.00

**CAROLINIANUM**—A small leaved species from the Carolina mountains with abundant pink flowers borne early and freely on small plants. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**CATAWBIENSE ALBUM (Glass)**—We have been selling this white flowered form of Rhododendron Catawbiense expecting it to come true white from seeds for our customers as it formerly did for us! But somewhere along the line our seedlings have become mixed with the purplish flowered type and we have had two lots from which we had been selling plants that flowered purple. So we will withdraw this item from our sales list until we can be sure of supplying the true white strain again, perhaps in fall of 1957.

**CATAWBIENSE COMPACTUM X DISCA**—These seedlings are uniformly compact and rather slow in growth. The flowers should be large and of pale rose and lavender shades. 8-12 in., \$2.50



**CHAPMANNI X MUCRONULATUM**—A first generation cross that is growing lustily. Early rose pink flowers. 18-24 in., \$3.50

**CYNTHIA**—Beautiful large rosy crimson flowers. Should be given a spot protected from high winds and full winter sun—a site that will make any rhododendron feel more at home. 8-12 in., \$4.00

**DISCOLOR**—This is one of the very finest exotic species that may be grown in our climate. It hails from West Central China and has been described as "E. H. (Chinese) Wilson's second best discovery." What interests us is that it is hardy in our part of the world in partially shaded woodland sites where it opens its great white or pale blush blossoms in late June. Described as growing into a tree twelve to fifteen feet high but more often seen as a large shrub. 10-12 in., \$2.50

**FORTUNEI**—Very large blush pink fragrant flowers and dependably hardy with us. Another so called "tree" species that hardly reaches that stature in cultivation but is often tree-like in habit. The corolla is seven lobed instead of the usual five. Rhododendron Fortunei is quite free from all insect damage—in fact almost immune and this also applies to its close relatives R. discolor and R. decorum. All hybrids of these species seem to partake of these pest resistant characters to a great extent. I have yet to observe a single lace bug or white fly on them and leaf eating worms rarely touch them, Fortunei itself, perhaps never. Large sizes, 6-8 ft., on application. 10-12 in., \$2.50

**JOHN WALTER**—Crimson. 12-18 in., \$5.00

**KEISKEI**—A species from Japan with plant habit and foliage somewhat resembling that of R. carolinianum but flowers pale yellow very early in spring. 6-8 in., \$1.50

**MADAM DE BRUIN**—This fine red hybrid is not too well known in our area as yet but it seems to do very well. We have been growing it for a number of year with satisfaction. Its pure cerise is a much clearer shade of red than most of our old Catawbiense hybrids. 12-18 in., \$5.00

**MADAM MASSON**—Another good hybrid not well known in this section which bears white flowers with a pronounced yellow throat. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**MAKINOI**—A Japanese species, slow growing and of rather dwarf habit. The flowers are pale pink of fair size and the long, very narrow leaves, somewhat rolled up both summer and winter, are covered beneath with a white, wooly felt which turns a buff color and lasts for several years. It has been satisfactorily hardy here.

4 in. pots, \$2.00

**MAXIMUM**—We have this native rhododendron in almost any size up to eight feet. Arrangements will have to be made to transport the larger plants.

1-8 ft., \$1.00-\$15.00

**MICRANTHUM**—A species from North China and Mongolia recommended for its extreme hardiness. When covered with its tiny white flowers it has been likened to an evergreen spirea. Grown in a fair amount of sun it is a good looking plant.

12-15 in., \$3.00

**MUCRONULATUM**—A very early deciduous species with rose purple flowers blooming with forsythia. Very hardy and does well in full sun.

12-18 in., \$3.00

**PURPLE SPLENDOUR**—The best purple flowered rhododendron yet for our latitude, a rich shade with no magenta tints. Very free flowering and though sometimes burned a little in severe winters, any planting appreciates its accent.

12-15 in., \$4.00

**RACEMOSUM. 59717. ROCK NO.**—Dwarf type with charming rose pink flowers and flowering when only a few inches high.

4 in. pots, \$1.50

#### AZALEA SPECIES

**ARBORESCENS**—Late flowering native azalea with a heliotrope fragrance. Will grow into large specimens with age—ten to twelve feet high and wide. Very good on the bank of a stream or pond.

12-18 in., \$3.00

**MACROSEPALUM**—An unusual azalea with sepals longer than the corolla lobes. The leaves are hairy, flowers medium in size, colored rose and fragrant.

6-12 in., \$1.50

**POUKHANENSE**—A Korean species which grows quite twiggy and compact with flowers of rose and lilac shades. We consider it the hardiest species of the obtusum group.

6-12 in., \$1.25





**SCHLIPPENBACHII**—The "Royal" azalea. The large pink flowers, about the size of the flowering dogwood, are produced in early spring. Hardy anywhere but best in partly wooded situations where its blooms last longer in good condition. Sizes up to six feet. 12-18 in., \$3.00

### **GABLE HYBRID AZALEAS**

**CAMPFIRE (F3G)**—Hose-in-hose flowers of cardinal red fading to crimson shades. Hardy plant that will probably grow fairly large.

10-12 in., \$2.00

**CAROL (B8G)**—Abundant hose-in-hose flowers of most brilliant crimson pink on a spreading, rather dwarf plant make this one of the more promising new sorts.

8-12 in., \$2.00

**CAROLINE GABLE (96G)**—Brilliant hose-in-hose pink.

10-12 in., \$2.50

**ELIZABETH GABLE**—Noteworthy for its ever-green character that makes it a pretty plant at all seasons. Its pale salmon tinted flowers last long in partial shade.

8-12 in., \$2.00

**HERBERT**—Very near to the Purple Splendour azalea in flower but much lower and more compact in growth. Hardy and free flowering.

10-12 in., \$2.00

**JAMES GABLE**—Very like the variety Campfire described above but slower growing with smaller leaves and flowers. A better plant for edging.

8-12 in., \$2.00

**JESSIE COOVER—(C6G)**—A fully double flowered pink that blooms in late midseason and is quite hardy.

10-12 in., \$2.00

**LOUISE GABLE**—Double salmon pink flowers of good size borne on a rather slow growing, dense twiggy plant.

10-12 in., \$2.50

**MARYANN (38G)**—Medium late double flowered pink. Profuseness of bloom and good plant habit also commend it. Very hardy.

8-12 in., \$2.00

**MARY DALTON (111G)**—Hose-in-hose salmon red with very pointed petals arranged in perfect symmetry.

10-12 in., \$2.00

**MILDRED MAE**—Very shapely plant with dense evergreen foliage and lavender flowers spotted bright red. Very hardy. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**MIRIAM**—A large growing variety very hardy and healthy. Much like Springtime with flowers a little deeper pink and a few days later in flowering. It too, needs room to develop into a large plant to make its best display. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**PURPLE SPLENDOUR**—Dark reddish purple hose-in-hose flowers. Spreading habit. 10-12 in., \$2.00

**ROSE GREELEY**—We believe we have produced in this, that hardy white we have been looking for. The color is pure except for very faint trace of yellow in the throat. Flowers are of good size and substance and the plant of good compact, branching habit. 10-12 in., \$2.00

**SPRINGTIME**—An early flowering pure pink that grows rather tall and will need considerable room. One of the very hardiest azaleas. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**STEWARTSTONIAN**—A new variety released in fall of 1956. Single clear red flowers and foliage turning red in winter that contrasts strikingly against the snow. Hardier and better in color than Hinodegiri and just as easy to grow. It also has better color than that variety when forced. 10-12 in., \$3.00

We wish to emphasize the importance of removing the faded flower trusses from rhododendron as soon as possible after all the flowers in the truss have faded. This greatly helps the foliage and appearance of plant as well as its flowering in future seasons. And the larger leaved the variety, the more important this process seems to be.

*All our plants are on own roots, grown from cutting or seeds unless otherwise noted.*

*We do not have facilities for shipping stock any larger than the two foot size. There are larger plants of some items here for sale but arrangements will have to be made for delivery on this stock.*

